

**SENATE GENERAL WELFARE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT 1**

**Amendment No. 1 to SB0837**

**Crowe  
Signature of Sponsor**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 837\***

**House Bill No. 2087**

By deleting Section 1 and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-7-102(11), is amended by deleting the existing language of the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(11) A person employed by an agency licensed under title 33, chapter 2, part 4, providing personal support services to clients living in their own home or private residence may assist the client with medication, except for injections, upon a written authorization by the client or the client's authorized representative. For the purpose of this section, assistance is limited to opening medication packaging and providing medication reminders and does not permit giving the client any form of medication. Before any such person is authorized to assist the client with medication as stated above, the person must have received and be able to document training in medication assistance performed by or under the general supervision of a registered nurse and consistent with the State's home and community-based services (HCBS) training in assisting with medications. For the purposes of this subdivision (11), assisting with medications is not to be interpreted in any manner or fashion to include, or to be the same as, medication administration that would be only appropriate and acceptable for persons who are authorized so to do by specific professional acts under this title or by rules or regulations."